

ITEM NO: _____

PREPARED BY: LEE HINSON

APPROVED BY: _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAKELAND AND SHELBY COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF LAKELAND BUILDING A SECOND FIRE STATION WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF LAKELAND TO BE OCCUPIED BY THE SHELBY COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, AT NO COST TO SHELBY COUNTY GOVERNMENT, TO PROVIDE FIRE PROTECTION AND AMBULANCE SERVICES TO THE RESIDENTS OF LAKELAND.

SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER SIDNEY CHISM.

WHEREAS, The Shelby County Board of Commissioners approved an agreement between the City of Lakeland and Shelby County Government on April 21, 2003 for the City of Lakeland to build a fire station within the corporate limits of the City of Lakeland to be occupied by the Shelby County Fire Department, at no cost to Shelby County Government, to provide fire protection and ambulance services to the residents of Lakeland; and

WHEREAS, The City of Lakeland desires to construct a building of sufficient design as to size to house a second fire station on City of Lakeland Property; and

WHEREAS, The Lakeland residents will continue to pay the prevailing monthly county resident fire fee for fire protection and ambulance services; and

WHEREAS, The Shelby County Fire Department will staff, equip and maintain both fire stations in the City of Lakeland with firefighters employed by, and equipment owned by, the Shelby County Fire Department at no charge to they City of Lakeland; and,

WHEREAS, Both buildings will be owned by the City of Lakeland and Shelby County Government will lease the buildings from the City of Lakeland at the rate of One Dollar (\$1.00) per year for an initial term of twenty years that may be renewed by Shelby County Government for two (2) additional terms of ten (10) years each. The agreement may be terminated upon notice of between six (6) and twelve (12) months to either party. The lease agreement will renew upon notice provided by either party to the other not less than twelve (12) months prior to the end of any term: and,

WHEREAS, Lakeland agrees to maintain, repair and replace as necessary the buildings and structural improvements, including, but not limited to the walls, floors, ceilings, roof, infrastructure and structural parts; as well as to major items of mechanical, plumbing, electrical and HVAC system due to normal wear and tear as may be required, and the Shelby County Government will be responsible for ordinary maintenance of the premises arising from its usage of the properties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, That the contract between the City of Lakeland and Shelby County Government for the purpose of Lakeland to provide Fire Stations within the corporate limits of the City of Lakeland to be staffed, equipped and maintained by the Shelby County Fire Department is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the County Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the aforementioned contract agreement on behalf of Shelby County Government for the purposes herein contained and executed copies of which is on file in the Contracts Administration Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall take effect from and after the date it shall have been enacted according to due process of law, the public welfare requiring it.

A C Wharton, Jr.
County Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Clerk of County Commission

ADOPTED: _____

SUMMARY SHEET

I. Description of Item

The City of Lakeland currently owns the fire station located at 9774 Beverle Rivera, Lakeland, TN 38002. Shelby County Government leases this building from Lakeland at the rate of one dollar (\$1.00) per year and staffs, equips and maintains a fire station to provide fire protection and ambulance services for the City of Lakeland. These services are paid for by the residents of Lakeland through fire fees.

The City of Lakeland has grown to a level that another fire station is desired to provide services to the city. Lakeland has proposed to build a second building to be operated in the same manner currently under agreement between the city and Shelby County Government. The new building is planned to be located next to Lakeland City Hall at 10001 Highway 70 in Lakeland. This will be a twenty (20) year agreement with two (2) renewal options of ten (10) years each that can be renewed by the County. There will be no charge to the County for any portion of the acquisition or constructions costs associated with the building. The County will provide ordinary maintenance arising from its usage of the premises of both buildings. The residents of the City of Lakeland will continue to pay fire fees as required by the County.

II. Source and Amount of Funding

N/A

III. Contract Items

Copy of Agreement between City of Lakeland and Shelby County Government attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

IV. Additional Information Relevant to Approval of this Item

The City of Lakeland has been made aware of the current ongoing negotiations with the City of Memphis concerning merger of fire services. Lakeland has also been provided potential options for consideration in that event.

Currently Shelby County Fire Department is housing and equipping two fire companies in the Lakeland Fire Station located at 9774 Beverle Rivera, in Lakeland. One of these fire companies and the new pumper to be delivered December 3, 2008 will be moved to the new building on Highway 70 along with necessary personnel and equipment. As a result of this deployment of the additional fire company, there will be no additional manpower level increase to staff the second fire station.

However, it will be necessary to purchase and install a new Zetron Paging System and installation of a Base Radio for the new station. In addition, it is anticipated that additional grounds maintenance equipment will be purchased. The total start-up costs for the new station should not exceed \$53,000.00. In addition to the start-up costs, it is estimated that utility costs for the additional station will be approximately \$16,650.00 per year.